

"On the first day of Christmas, my true love gave to me  
A Partridge In A Pear Tree..."

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## WMNJ Retains Lawyer to Fight For 100 Watts

by Sean Fulton

**T**HIS week, WMNJ, Drew's FM radio station, took yet another step in its continuing battle to receive a 100 watt license by asking an attorney to file for a compensatory hearing before the Federal Communications Commission.

According to WMNJ Technical Director Mike Shavel, a Newark public radio station, WBGO, had petitioned the FCC last spring to deny the application, contending that the increase in power by WMNJ would block out WBGO's signal from as many as 5,000 existing and potential listeners.

Rodert Ottenhoff, WBGO station manager, said yesterday that his station was concerned with the loss of so many listeners since the 10,000 watt station received 55 percent of its operating budget from listeners' contributions. Ottenhoff said that the proposed increase by WMNJ would block a sufficient number of existing and potential listeners "so that we're concerned about it."

"We succeed or fail on the basis of our ability to attract listener support," Ottenhoff said.

Shavel said he felt the petition filed by WBGO was "just a malicious complaint," adding that the station had filed a similar petition in 1979 when WMNJ filed for its 10 watt FM license.

"Our complaint is not with the FCC, but with BGO," Shavel said, adding that his station is filing for a hearing "on equal standing" with WBGO.

Shavel said that the area WBGO indicated would be blocked out would be a 1,500 ft. radius around the proposed tower, behind Tolley Hall.

Shavel added that a study done by the Drew plant office indicated that the power increase would affect no more than 12 houses in that area.

Shavel said the station retained the services of Attorney Donald Martin on Wednesday, after he was erroneously notified by the FCC that an application filed with the commission in May of '85 for a power increase had been approved.

Shavel said he called the FCC on Monday to confirm the approval, but was notified on Tuesday that a secretarial error had caused the notice to be sent. He said that Alan Mayers of the FCC withdrew the approval on Tuesday, and said that formal notice would be sent through the mail.

Mayers was unavailable for comment at press time.

Shavel said that he had ordered over \$14,000 in equipment for the power increase on Monday from Radio Systems Inc., of Edgemont, PA, after receiving the license approval, but that the order had to be recalled Tuesday after he was notified of the error.

Station Manager Steve Rogers said the situation changes "by the hour."

"We want our case to be tried and decided by the FCC," Rogers said, "and not in a court of law." Rogers said he had no idea how long it would take to resolve the matter if it went to court.

Rogers said the increase to 100 watts was necessary for WMNJ to continue, since "10 watt stations are being phased out."



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WMNJ's Dave Palmer gets set for a mix in the station's new studio in Tolley Hall.

## Hardin Denies Rumor

## Duke Presidency In The Wings?

by Lisa Spitz

**T**he cold winds of rumor blew strong on the Drew University campus last night when a phone call from the daily student newspaper at Duke University suggested Drew University President Paul Hardin was being considered for the presidency of Duke.

A call to *The Acorn* staff from Joe McHugh, Editor-in-Chief of *The Chronicle*, attempting to confirm the rumor brought word of the possibility to the Drew campus. According to McHugh there had been a leak at Duke that Hardin was one of the prospective candidates reviewed by the Search Committee. Although he could not validate the fact, he said word came from a member of the Search Committee.

Hardin denied the rumor stating, "I've not applied, nor have I been asked to apply" for the position. According to Hardin, he is "absolutely not a candidate."

John Baker, a member of the Search Committee, and Student Government President at Duke, said he could not "confirm or deny" the question that Hardin was one of the candidates for Duke's Presidency. Drew's Executive Vice President, Scott McDonald, said "I'm sure there will be somebody interested in pursuing him for the position" but continued, "he's (Hardin) committed to Drew. I'm confident that he will be staying at Drew. I'm glad."

William Wehner, Vice President for Development and University Relations at Drew, said "I know they're looking at lots of different people

and as an alum he's a likely candidate." Wehner continued, "I do know that he's probably being considered."

**"I do know that he's probably being considered," Wehner noted.**

The Duke Search Committee made its recommendation last night to the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees, and it is expected the Trustees will name the University's new President at a press conference this afternoon or Saturday.

The new President will be replacing 67 year old Terry Sanford. Sanford, former governor of North Carolina, will be retiring from the presidential position on July 1, 1985. Sanford, according to Paul Arianas, Major Attractions Chairman at Duke, is a "very approachable man. It's not uncommon to see him walking around campus, and say (to him) 'Hello Uncle Terry,'" noted Arianas.

Sanford, in his term at Duke, has been noted for his development of the University and Durham, the surrounding city. Dorm expansions and the building of a new student center, are just some of the improvements on campus according to Arianas. Sanford also actively participated in the development of Brightleaf Square and Erwin Square, a specialty mall and apartment complex respectively, both of which are located in Durham.

Hardin, formerly a trustee of Duke, graduated from the University with the class of '52. He taught at Duke as an Associate Professor, Visiting Associate Professor and Professor of Law at Duke between 1958 and 1968.



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